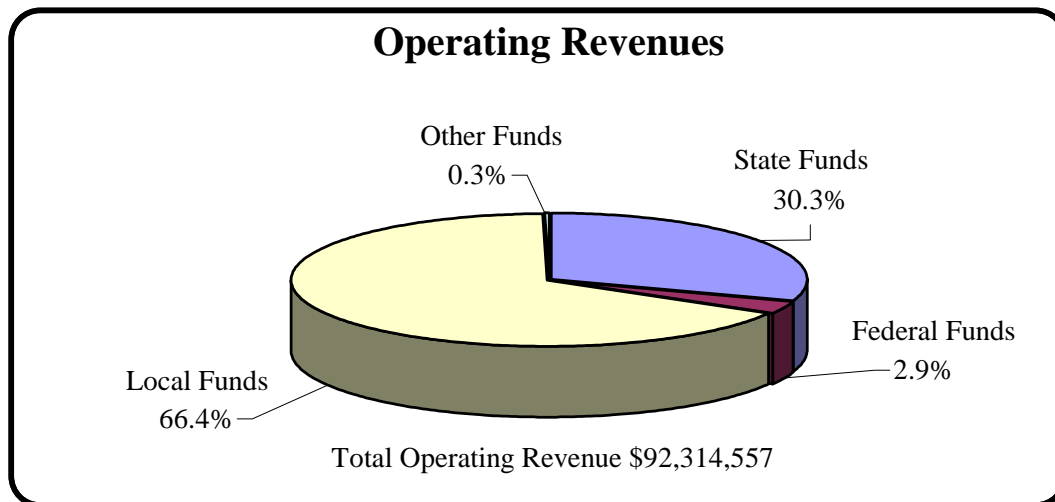
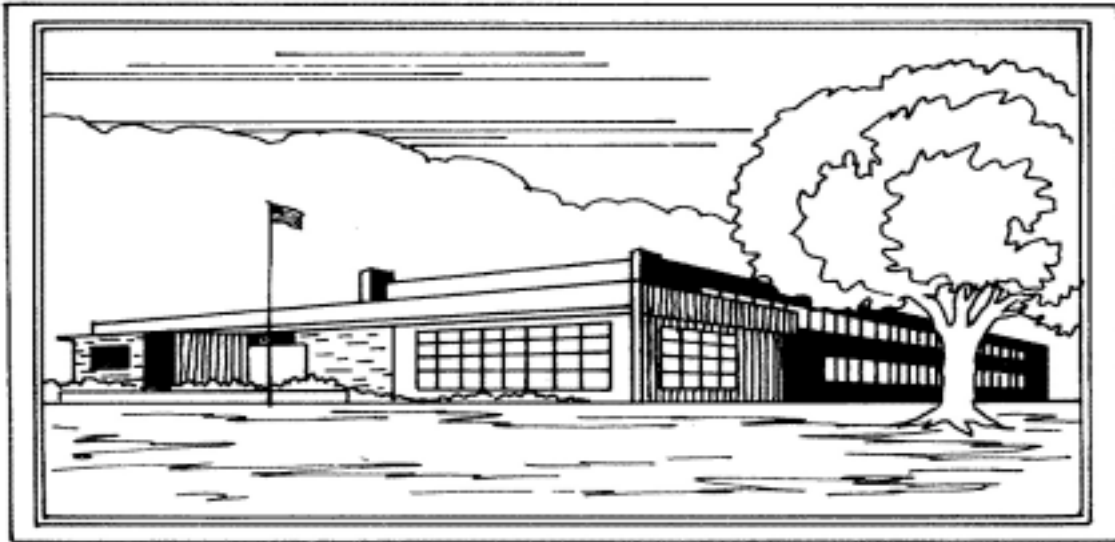


## SCHOOL FUNDS

|                               |                    |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| General Operating             | \$82,423,001       |
| Debt Service – Capital        | <u>\$9,891,556</u> |
| Total Operating Fund          | \$92,314,557       |
| School Nutrition Program Fund | <u>\$3,158,193</u> |
| Total Schools                 | \$95,472,750       |





# **SCHOOL DIVISION FUND**

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## **SCHOOL BUDGET BACKGROUND**

The School Fund consists of two major funds: School Operating Fund and School Nutrition Program Fund. The School Operating Fund, a governmental component unit fund, accounts for the operations of Fauquier County's public school system. The School Nutrition Program Fund, a governmental component unit fund, accounts for the revenues and expenditures associated with the provisions of food service within the public school system.

It is the duty of the Division Superintendent of Schools, with the approval of the School Board, to prepare the public education budget estimates. These estimates must be approved by the School Board and submitted to the governing body. The estimate for public education submitted to the Board of Supervisors must show the estimated amount of money deemed to be needed during the next fiscal year to support the public schools, including instruction, operating and maintenance and other costs. The Board of Supervisors can appropriate funds by individual categories or by lump sum. In adjusting the school budget, the governing body may make changes only in the total amount or in the amounts of major categories established by the State Board of Education. The Board of Supervisors may not adjust individual line items. The Board of Supervisors must adopt the School budget no later than May 1<sup>st</sup>.

For support of education in Fiscal Year 2004, the Board of Supervisors initiated a revenue sharing program that provided 60 percent of new general fund revenue to the School Division. From the County General Fund lump-sum amounts of \$52,906,683 for operations and \$8,419,978 for debt service and capital projects will be transferred to the School Division Fund. The lump-sum appropriation option was approved to provide the School Division greater flexibility in budget management.

For FY 2004 the Board of Supervisors also appropriated \$3,158,193 for the School Division's Food Nutrition enterprise fund.

## **STATEMENT OF PHILOSOPHY- FAUQUIER COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

The Fauquier County Public School Division is committed to excellence in education and accepts with the home, responsibility for the educational development of students as individuals and as members of society.

The basic purpose of the school system is to educate students in the knowledge, skills and values necessary to become self-sustaining and productive members of a democracy. The Fauquier County Public System will provide opportunities and resources to help individual students attain the level of achievement of which they are capable.

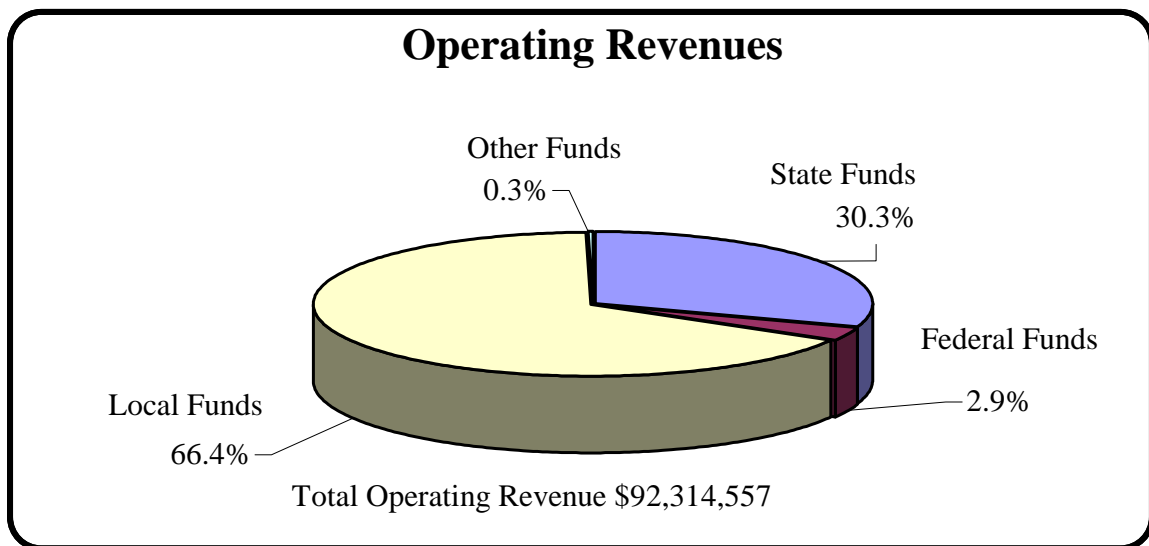
## **MISSION STATEMENT**

The mission of the Fauquier County Public Schools is to cultivate the ability, the intellect, and the character of each student to ensure an educated citizenry.



## SCHOOL DIVISION FUND - REVENUES

| Source of Funds          | FY 2002<br>Actual   | FY 2003<br>Adopted  | FY 2004<br>Adopted<br>Budget | Change             |                 |
|--------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
|                          |                     |                     |                              | 2003<br>Adopted to | 2004<br>Adopted |
| State                    | \$24,350,671        | \$25,710,091        | \$28,011,797                 | \$2,301,706        | 9.0%            |
| Federal                  | \$2,400,766         | \$1,906,693         | \$2,710,801                  | \$804,108          | 42.2%           |
| Local - Operating        | \$44,871,277        | \$50,277,116        | \$52,906,683                 | \$2,629,567        | 5.2%            |
| Local - Debt and Capital | \$5,722,203         | \$8,719,176         | \$8,419,978                  | \$299,198          | -3.4%           |
| Other Funds              | \$488,819           | \$223,298           | \$265,298                    | \$42,000           | 18.8%           |
| <b>Total</b>             | <b>\$77,833,736</b> | <b>\$86,836,374</b> | <b>\$92,314,557</b>          | <b>\$5,478,183</b> | <b>6.3%</b>     |



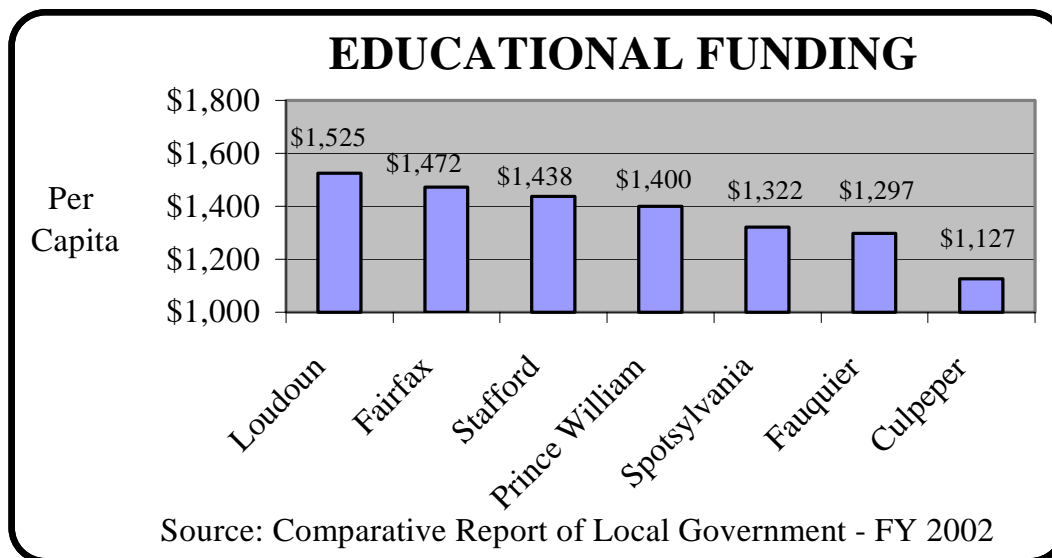
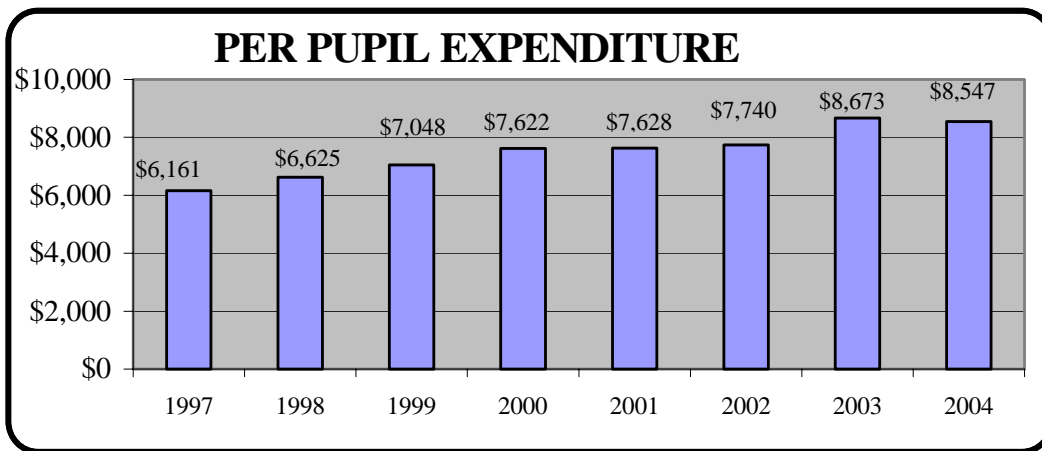
**Summary:** Initially in the budget process it was projected that due to a significant shortfall in revenue at the State level a decrease in funding to the School Division could be expected. However, support for education remained a high budget priority for State legislators in FY 2004. While several categorical programs were not funded overall State revenue support increased by 9 percent. This increase was also aided by corrections to the triennial school age child census data that determines sales tax distribution. Federal funding increased 42.2 percent over the FY 2003 adopted amount primarily to support special education related programs. The FY 2004 revenue projections for the School Division, especially in the current sluggish economy, are very favorable.



## SCHOOL DIVISION FUND - EXPENDITURES

|                      | FY 1999<br>Actual | FY 2000<br>Actual | FY 2001<br>Actual | FY 2002<br>Actual | FY 2003<br>Adopted | FY 2004<br>Adopted |
|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Operating</b>     | \$58,123,105      | \$65,633,897      | \$66,037,709      | \$71,887,704      | \$77,035,558       | \$82,423,001       |
| <b>Debt Services</b> | \$7,208,538       | \$5,691,014       | \$6,732,027       | \$5,722,203       | \$9,800,816        | \$9,891,556        |
| <b>Total</b>         | \$65,331,643      | \$71,324,911      | \$72,769,736      | \$77,609,907      | \$86,836,374       | \$92,314,557       |

|                   |       |       |       |       |        |        |
|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|
| <b>Enrollment</b> | 9,269 | 9,358 | 9,540 | 9,652 | 10,012 | 10,160 |
|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|





# SCHOOL DIVISION FUND

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## GENERAL INFORMATION

Fauquier County Public Schools is the largest employer in the County with over 1,600 employees. Fauquier County has two high schools (grades 9-12), four middle schools (grades 6 – 8), ten elementary schools and an alternative education center. Student enrollment for FY 2004 is projected to be 10,160 students, an increase of 148 or 1.5 percent from FY 2003. Five elected School Board members govern the school system. The members are elected for four-year terms, one member representing each of the County's magisterial districts. The School Board is charged by Virginia law and the regulations of the Virginia Board of Education to establish guidelines and rules that will ensure the proper administration of the County's school programs.

## GENERAL BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

### ➤ **Compensation Issues:**

*Salaries* – In order to remain competitive in attracting and retaining high quality staff, compensation issues were major elements for the School Board's use of available resources. Included for FY 2004 were:

- The teacher pay scale was increased by \$500 changing the starting pay from \$30,500 to \$31,000. Combined with a 2.5 percent longevity step increase, the average teacher's increase was 4 percent.
- The teacher scale was further adjusted by increasing the BA+15 category from 20 steps to 22 steps.
- The administrative pay scale was adjusted by 5 percent. Combined with a 2.5 percent longevity step increase the average administrator's increase was 7.5 percent.
- All other employee groups received a longevity step increase of 2.5 percent with the exception of bus drivers who received a 2.8% step increase.

*Benefits* – For FY 2004 the employer will absorb the projected growth in health care costs for all full time employees.

### ➤ **Staffing:**

38 new positions were added for FY 2004. They include 24.5 teachers and two instructional aides. Of these new positions five teachers and one aide will be supported by Federal funds. In addition to new instructional personnel 11.5 other positions were also added. These positions include; communication specialist, two computer technicians, two bus drivers and a bus aide, new middle school principal and secretary (.5), and four middle school attendance-library aides.



## SCHOOL DIVISION FUND

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### ➤ Debt and Capital:

Support for Capital Fund issues and debt service from school construction borrowing will be \$15.4 million for FY 2004. Included will be approximately \$5.9 million in debt service and \$9.5 million in capital projects. Major funding elements include proceeds from the \$4.2 million third and final borrowing for construction of the new Auburn Middle School and \$1.6 million from the first of two borrowing for renovation of Claude Thompson Elementary School. The remaining funds support other School projects in the Capital Fund.

### OTHER FUNDING INFORMATION

In addition to the General Operating Fund, the School Division receives significant direct funding support from the Capital Improvement Fund and indirectly from joint service support of the Departments of Human Resource, Finance, General Services, and the Office of Comprehensive Services Act.

The Capital Fund projects approved for FY 2004 include:

|   |                     |
|---|---------------------|
| Auburn Middle School*                         | \$4,227,000         |
| C.M. Thompson Elementary – Renovations**      | \$1,572,000         |
| Mary Walter, Coleman Elementary - HVAC        | \$ 525,000          |
| Maintenance, Bradley Elm. Fauquier H.S.- Roof | \$ 578,400          |
| P.B. Smith Connection to Public Water System  | \$ 135,600          |
| Fauquier H.S.- Student Locker Replacement     | \$ 230,691          |
| Comprehensive Maintenance Plan***             | \$ 496,688          |
| Technology Equipment                          | \$1,219,330         |
| Food Service Equipment                        | \$ 52,839           |
| Minor System Replacements                     | \$ 52,839           |
| School Buses                                  | \$ 400,000          |
|   | <b>\$ 9,490,387</b> |

\* *Third year costs of a \$17.2 million project.*

\*\* *First year costs of a \$3.1 million project*

\*\*\* *To repair or replace systems or facilities with costs of \$50,000 or less.*

For FY 2004 joint service support for the School Division is approximately \$5.4 million.



# **SCHOOL NUTRITION PROGRAM FUND**

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## **FAUQUIER COUNTY SCHOOL NUTRITION PROGRAM**

### **MISSION STATEMENT**

The School Nutrition Program and its affiliated employees are dedicated to promoting safe, nutritious, and enjoyable meals with friendly service in a pleasant environment to all students and school personnel.

### **PHILOSOPHY**

The School Nutrition Program, an extension of the school system's education curriculum, and its related services are operated under the federally funded National School Lunch Act and Child Nutrition Act of 1966, as amended. Federal laws regulating school nutrition programs are administered by the United States Department of Education. The program's objectives are to advocate optimal health and to improve nutritional status of all students by providing palatable, nutritious foods and promoting nutrition education while operating under sound financial status and accountability procedures.

All Fauquier County Public Schools participate in the National School Breakfast and Lunch Programs. A written agreement is finalized between the School Superintendent and the Virginia Department of Education for each individual federal lunch program and federal breakfast program. These agreements with the state agency ensure that all programs are in compliance with the regulations and qualify for the federal cash reimbursements as well as donated commodity foods.

### **FY 2003 BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS**

- All lunch prices remain unchanged for FY 2004.
- Contract services increased due to feeding more students in the before and after school care program.
- Budget uses 175 days a year for revenue purposes. This allows for early dismissal days where revenue based on meal counts are dramatically reduced.
- Emphasis for FY 2004 will be enhanced training in sanitation and nutrition education for all staff members.



# SCHOOL NUTRITION PROGRAM FUND

## EXPENDITURES (BY CATEGORY)

|                           |             |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| SALARIES                  | \$1,322,362 |
| EMPLOYEE BENEFITS         | \$377,096   |
| PURCHASED SERVICES        | \$54,500    |
| OTHER CHARGES             | \$15,500    |
| MATERIALS & FOOD SUPPLIES | \$1,398,735 |
| CAPITAL OUTLAY            | \$30,000    |
| TOTAL                     | \$3,198,193 |

## REVENUE

| SOURCE  | ACTUAL<br>FY 2001 | ACTUAL<br>FY 2002 | ADOPTED<br>FY 2003 | ADOPTED<br>FY 2004 | ADJUSTMENT | PERCENT |
|---------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------|---------|
| STATE   | \$44,129          | \$44,173          | \$44,000           | \$46,500           | \$2,500    | 5.7%    |
| FEDERAL | \$629,475         | \$608,634         | \$591,605          | \$635,486          | \$43,881   | 7.2%    |
| LOCAL   | \$2,119,786       | \$2,324,008       | \$2,274,851        | \$2,516,207        | \$241,356  | 10.4%   |
| TOTALS  | \$2,793,390       | \$2,976,815       | \$2,910,456        | \$3,198,193        | \$287,737  | 9.9%    |